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Applicant(s): Adcock et al.  
Serial No.: 09/254,148 Art Unit: 3624  
Filed: June 11, 1999 Examiner: Patel  
For: AUTOMATIC ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER SYSTEM AND  
METHOD

**PETITION TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

**REQUESTING ACTION ON THE PRESENT ALLOWED APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The present petition requests prompt action on the present application which was indicated as allowed as of June 10, 2004 (see attached copy of U. S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) Application Information page dated 3-2-2005) and for which no action has since been taken.

The present application was filed August 27, 1997 (PCT/AU97/00548) and entered the national stage in the U.S. on June 11, 1999. Prosecution on the merits proceeded and appeared to end with a notice of Allowability. The applicant has not been provided with a notice to pay issue fees and the application does not appear to have proceeded for publication as a patent. Counsel for applicant has inquired of the examiner, the supervisory primary examiner and the technology center Director with assurances that the application will proceed, but no progress is apparent.

Applicant has spent over 7 and ½ years and substantial funds prosecuting the present application. Recent economic opportunities may disappear if the prosecution of this application

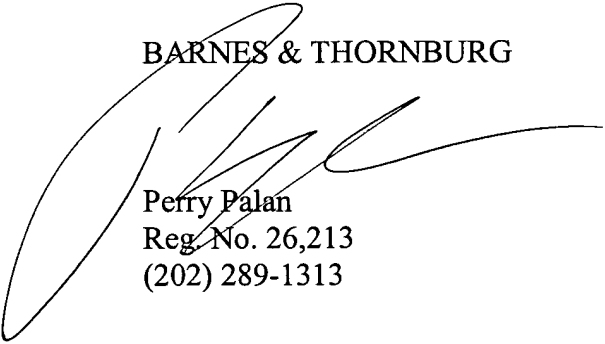
is not completed promptly. The potential loss of such economic opportunities has been expressed to the persons contacted at the USPTO and oral promises of prompt action have been received, but then weeks and months go by with no action on this application. For at least this reason, time is of the essence.

It is, respectfully, requested that this application be forwarded for processing as a patent. If there are any issues remaining to be resolved counsel asks that such issues be promptly notified to counsel so that such issues can be quickly resolved. A prompt response to this petition is requested.

This petition is pursuant to 37 CFR 1.181 for which no fee appears to be due. Any necessary fee may be charged to the account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 020-1010 (663-35631).

Respectfully submitted,

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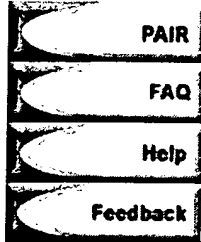
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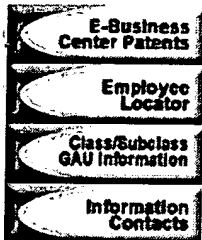


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